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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Security Council Consultations Room

751/1907 Committee (Somalia/Eritrea)

Other matters

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

On the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

Member states, observers, United Nations entities and stakeholders accredited to the preparatory process are invited to attend.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The Co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration will hold an informal dialogue with stakeholders on Thursday, 15 March 2018, from 09:00 to 10:00.

For further information, please *click here*.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	United Nations Interim force in Lebanon (UNIFIL)	
	Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/72/L.40	
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

10:00 to 13:00	Informal meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 5
	Country-Specific Configuration on Liberia	

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on the Status of Women

Sixty-second session

10:00 to 13:00 — 4th meeting *(in parallel)* [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Ministerial segment

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3 as a whole]

Continuation of general discussion

10:00 to 13:00 — 4th meeting *(in parallel)* [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Ministerial segment

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3]

Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives [item 3 (a)]

Priority theme: challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls [item 3 (a) (i)]

High-level interactive dialogue among ministers on "Building alliances to achieve gender equality and empower rural women and girls"

15:00 to 18:00 — 5th meeting *(in parallel)* [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Ministerial segment

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3 as a whole]

Continuation of general discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 5th meeting *(in parallel)* [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Ministerial segment

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3]

Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives (E/CN.6/2018/2, E/CN.6/2018/3 and E/CN.6/2018/5) [item 3 (a)]

High-level interactive dialogue on "Accelerating implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and achieving concrete results by 2020"

(E/CN.6/2018/1, E/CN.6/2018/1/Add.1, E/CN.6/2018/2, E/CN.6/2018/3, E/CN.6/2018/4, E/CN.6/2018/5, E/CN.6/2018/6, E/CN.6/2018/7, E/CN.6/2018/8, E/CN.6/2018/1/Corr.1, E/CN.6/2018/9, E/CN.6/2018/12 and E/CN.6/2018/8/Corr.1)

To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

Delegations are invited to email their statements one hour in advance of delivery for circulation via PaperSmart services.

Further information on the session can be obtained from the Commission website (*click here*). For PaperSmart Services papersmart3@un.org. For NGOs written statements (*click here*).

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Committee for Development Policy
Twentieth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

UNDP briefing on the working plan of engagement with the Executive Board – Planning for Strategic Plan implementation

All delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-second session

Tuesday, 20 March 2018

15:00	79th plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall

Elimination of racism racial discrimination xenophobia and related intolerance [item 70]

Commemorative meeting on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

10:00 Informal consultations (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the draft modalities resolution in preparation for the comprehensive review of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases as contained in General Assembly resolution 68/300.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 March 2018 and 7 March 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers

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Friday, 16 March 2018

15:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

On the repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of General Assembly resolution 71/243 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of the United Nations operational activities for development

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Monday, 19 March 2018

10:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex

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Thursday, 22 March 2018

10:00 High-level event General Assembly Hall

15:00 High-level event Trusteeship Council Chamber

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level event to launch the International Decade for Action, "Water for Sustainable Development", 2018–2028.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org; 212-963-5307).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Wednesday, 14 and Thursday, 15 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

On the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

Member states, observers, United Nations entities and stakeholders accredited to the preparatory process are invited to attend.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The Co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration will hold an informal dialogue with stakeholders on Thursday, 15 March 2018, from 09:00 to 10:00.

For further information, please *click here*.

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

10:00 30th meeting Conference Room 3

The first resumed part of session 72 of the Fifth Committee will begin on 14 March 2018, in Conference Room 3.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee is available on the Committee's website (*click here*) (A/C.5/72/L.24).

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Committee is open.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee.

In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy to the secretariat of the Committee, prior to the start of the meeting.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal (*click here*).

Sixth Committee

Friday, 16 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed briefing Conference Room 8

State Responsibility briefing to delegates, convened by the Permanent Mission of Brazil (A/71/80/Add.1)

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Monday, 19 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal preparatory meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal preparatory meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

The draft format and draft annotated provisional agenda of the meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, as well as draft areas of concentration for the discussion panel, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, have been recently forwarded via e-mail to all permanent missions, permanent observer missions and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea as annexes to the letter of invitation by the Co-Chairs.

The advance and unedited reporting material on the topic of focus has also been posted on the website of the Division *(click here)*.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

The seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Contributions will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 4 June 2018 to Friday, 29 June 2018.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests.

Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2018*. The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee for further information (405 East 42nd Street, S-2115; tel. 212-963-4975; fax 212-963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

Disarmament Commission

Monday, 2 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Opening meeting	Conference Room 3

The Disarmament Commission will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 2 April 2018, to Friday, 20 April 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 2 April 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (A/CN.10/L.80/Rev.1).

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of participants are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Further information is available in the Disarmament Commission website (*click here*), for the Accessibility Centre (*click here*). Further information is available on the Disarmament Commission website (*click here*), or contact Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Ms. Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) or Mr. Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org). Accessibility *click here*

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Monday, 19 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects will be held from Monday, 19, to Friday, 23 March 2018.

The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 19 March 2018, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (A/CONF.192/2018/PC/L.2, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/1, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/INF/1, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/WP/1, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/L.1, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/L.3, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/2 and A/CONF.192/2018/PC/3).

Delegations and observers who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal, which will be available as of 1 March 2018.

Further information is available on the website, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the PrepCom (elliotts@un.org); Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Deputy Secretary of the PrepCom (lomaia@un.org); Mr. Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (cianciulli@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund/ United Nations Office for Project Services

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

UNDP briefing on the working plan of engagement with the Executive Board – Improving UNDP's business mode

All delegations are invited to attend.

Friday, 23 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

UNDP briefing on the working plan of engagement with the Executive Board – A UNDP for the United Nations system

All delegations are invited to attend.

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 9 March 2018

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

[archived video]

257th meeting

The Chair of the Special Committee, His Excellency Tijjani Muhammad Bande (Nigeria), opened the meeting.

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole [item 7]

The Special Committee decided to include in its report to the General Assembly the proposals, recommendations and conclusions submitted by the Working Group of the Whole.

The Chair made a statement.

Adoption of the report to the General Assembly at its seventy-second session [item 8]

The Rapporteur, Mr. Mohammad Aboulwafa (Egypt), introduced the draft report of the Special Committee (A/AC.121/2018/L.3).

The Special Committee adopted, without a vote, its draft report to the General Assembly.

The Chair made concluding remarks.

The Special Committee thus concluded its 2018 substantive session.

Monday, 12 March 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8201st meeting

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency António Guterres.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kuwait, the United States, the United Kingdom, France, the Russian Federation, China, Kazakhstan, Peru, Equatorial Guinea, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Ethiopia; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on the Status of Women

Sixty-second session

[archived video]

2nd meeting

The Acting-Chair of the Commission, Her Excellency Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya), opened the meeting and reconvened the sixty-second session of the Commission.

Election of officers [item 1]

Election of Chair

The Commission resumed its consideration of the item.

The Chair recalled that the Commission had elected His Excellency David Donoghue (Ireland), by acclamation, as Chair of the sixty-second and sixty-third sessions of the Commission, at the first meeting of the sixty-second session, on 24 March 2017. Following the departure of His Excellency David Donoghue (Ireland) from his post, the Commission then elected, by acclamation, Her Excellency Geraldine Byrne Nason, as the Chair of the Commission for its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions.

Election of other members of the Bureau

The Acting-Chair further recalled that at its first meeting, the Commission had elected Her Excellency Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya) as Vice-Chair of the Commission at its sixty-second session, and Mr. Mauricio Carabali Baquero (Colombia), as Vice-Chair of the Commission at its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions. Subsequently, the Commission elected, by acclamation, Mr. Shah Asif Rahman (Bangladesh) and Ms. Rena Tasuja (Estonia) as Vice-Chairs for the sixty-second session and sixty-second and sixty-third sessions, respectively.

Election of the Rapporteur

The Commission was informed that Her Excellency Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya), would also serve as Rapporteur for the sixty-second session.

Appointment of the remaining members of the Working Group on Communications on the Status of Women

The Commission elected, by acclamation, Nigeria, Qatar and the Russian Federation, to serve as members of the Working Group on Communications at the sixty-second session of the Commission.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

The Commission began its consideration of the item and adopted its provisional agenda (E/CN.6/2018/1) and approved its organization of work (E/CN.6/2018/1/Add.1), on the understanding that further adjustments may be made as the session progresses.

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3]

(a) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives

(i) Priority theme: challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls

(ii) Review theme: challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls

(b) Emerging issues, trends, focus areas and new approaches to questions affecting the situation of women, including equality between women and men

(c) Gender mainstreaming, situations and programmatic matters

The Commission began its consideration of the item as a whole.

Opening statements

Following a statement by the Chair, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the President of the Economic and Social Council (Czech Republic) and the President of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly, addressed the Commission.

Introductory statements

Introductory statements were made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the Vice-President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (also on behalf of the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Food Programme).

A joint statement was made by two civil society representatives on behalf of rural women and girls.

Statements were also made by the Chair of the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women; and the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences Committee.

General discussion

The Commission began its general discussion of agenda item 3 as a whole.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Tunisia (on behalf of the Arab Group), Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Brazil (also on behalf of Angola, Cabo Verde, Equatorial Guinea Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, São Tomé and Principe and Timor Leste, comprising the community of Portuguese language countries).

Statements were also made by the observers of the Gambia (on behalf of the Group of African States), Bulgaria (on behalf of the European Union), Slovenia (on behalf of Argentina, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Qatar, Slovenia, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey and Uruguay, comprising the Group of Friends of Older Persons), Marshall Islands (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum), Thailand (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations) and the Dominican Republic (on behalf of Belize, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, members of the Central American Integration System).

3rd meeting

The summary of the 3rd meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/51).

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Tuesday, 13 March 2018

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "World Bicycle Day" (under agenda item 11) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room F

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 13 March 2018

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (High-level Interactive Dialogue on "Innovative practices for the financial inclusion and economic empowerment of women especially rural women: Lessons from the South")

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming informal meetings

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving global road safety" (under agenda item 12) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Thursday, 15 March 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room F

Friday, 16 March 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on the "Third Review Conference of States (RevCon3) to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" (A/RES/72/57) (organized by the Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA))

Friday, 16 March 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement (extraordinary meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 19 March 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

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